



# State of Louisiana

## Department of Environmental Quality



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Governor

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**PAUL TEMPLET**  
Secretary

TO: Harold Ethridge  
Acting Administrator

FROM: Todd Thibodeaux  
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RE: Sampling of Westbank Area

At 9:30 AM January 12, 1990 I arrived at the Capital Regional Office and met with Debra Bendily of Air Quality Division. She escorted me on this trip and did all of the sampling. We loaded equipment which consisted of a high volume air sampler, sampling tools, and jugs of de-ionized water. We then drove to New Orleans where we met with John Sharp of the Air Quality Division at the Southeast Regional Office. John drove us around the Westbank area and helped us sample.

Before we started sampling, we set up a high-volume sampler at the Texaco Tank Farm on the corner of Barataria Blvd. and Fourth Street in Marrero, La. Only one high-vol was set up; it was allowed to run for two hours-cool down for half an hour-and run for another two hours. Altogether the high-vol sampled for four hours. While the high-vol was taking an air sample, we took bulk samples of the asbestos looking material. Random locations were picked and sampled. The problem areas were sampled in the following manner. The area was sprayed with deionized water and a sample was scooped up, placed in a sample jar, labeled and bagged. A chain of custody form was also written up for each sample. All addresses of residences sampled can be viewed on the attachment A. A polaroid photograph was taken of each area sampled with its address on the back on the photograph. All analysis will be done by Debra Bendily of Air Quality Division, along with labeling the samples a chain of custody form was also written up for each sample.

We noticed that the homes in the possible asbestos area were old homes; built possibly in the late 1940's and early 1950's, which may also indicate when the unknown material was placed in the driveways and right-of-ways near the pavement.

A map of the area sampled can be viewed at the back of this report. The area of concern is outlined in yellow. It is the only area we found the possible asbestos problem. It is possible the unknown material may be found in areas beyond the area outlined in yellow. The streets outlined in red note the areas we sampled.

The analysis should be reported in approximately two weeks.

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ATTACHMENT A

Residences Sampled in Westbank Area

SAMPLE 1

(b) (6)

sample taken about 6ft from edge of pavement

SAMPLE 2

(b) (6)

sample taken near pavement

SAMPLE 3

(b) (6)

sample taken in driveway

SAMPLE 4

(b) (6)

sample taken in driveway

SAMPLE 5

(b) (6)

sample taken near pavement

SAMPLE 6

(b) (6)

sample taken near pavement

SAMPLE 7

(b) (6)

sample taken in driveway

SAMPLE 8

(b) (6)

sample taken near pavement

SAMPLE 9

(b) (6)

Marrero.

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Sample was taken in front lot of Old Johns-Manville Plant

SAMPLE 10

(b) (6)

sample taken near pavement

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